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Newhall Father Sentenced to 50 Years to Life for Murder of Newborn Daughter

A Newhall man was sentenced today to 50 years to life in state prison for killing his 19-day-old daughter, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Julie Kramer said Matthew Brendan Warner, 30, entered a no contest plea to one count of first-degree murder and admitted a prior strike conviction on Sept. 2.

Before sentencing the defendant, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge David Walgren of the San Fernando Branch heard victim impact statements from the infant's mother and grandmother.

The defendant killed Ellorah Rose Warner at their home in Newhall while the baby's mother was at work on Jan. 23, the prosecutor said. Matthew Warner then claimed the newborn had been kidnapped and a search began to find her, the prosecutor added.

Warner eventually led authorities to the victim's body which he had hidden in the cab of a truck parked in a nearby parking lot.

Case PA082876 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.